

dorsing the new proposed Union Center Building, and that there is a necessity that the Board of Directors have the authority to pledge the Union Center with fees if necessary to the retirement of Union Center Building bonds, create an emergency and an imperative public necessity that the Constitutional Rule requiring bills to be read on three several days in each House be suspended, and said Rule is hereby suspended; and that this Act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage, and it is so enacted.

Passed the Senate, February 27, 1961: Yeas 18, Nays 12; May 2, 1961,

Senate concurred in House amendment by a viva voce vote; passed the House, April 27, 1961, with amendment, by a non-record vote.

Approved May 3, 1961.

Effective 90 days after May 29, 1961, date of adjournment.

BONDS—HOME RULE CITY BONDS—VALIDATION

CHAPTER 92²

S. B. No. 427

An Act validating, ratifying, approving and confirming bonds heretofore authorized by any Home Rule City in the State of Texas, which pledge the revenues of its water, sewer, or electric systems, or any combination of such revenues, and any and all proceedings pertaining to the authorization and issuance thereof, and authorizing the issuance, sale and delivery of such bonds; providing that this Act shall apply only to bonds authorized at an election or elections wherein a majority of the voting qualified property taxpaying voters who had duly rendered their property for taxation voted in favor thereof; providing that this Act shall not affect bonds or the proceedings relating to the authorization of bonds in litigation on the effective date of this Act, if such suit or litigation is ultimately determined against the validity of the proceedings or bonds, except insofar as same might be affected by any such city being engaged in a suit or litigation questioning the power of such city to annex territory wherein the validity of its Home Rule Charter and the authority of the governing body of such city to function under such Home Rule Charter may be contested or under attack; providing a savings clause; and declaring an emergency.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

Section 1. All bonds heretofore authorized by any Home Rule City in the State of Texas which pledge the revenues of its water, sewer, or electric systems, or any combination of the revenues of such systems, and any and all proceedings pertaining to the authorization and issuance thereof, are hereby validated, ratified, approved and confirmed notwithstanding any lack of charter or statutory authority of such city, or the governing body thereof to authorize and issue such bonds and make such pledge of revenue or revenues, and notwithstanding the fact that the election might not have been ordered and held in all respects in accordance with the provisions of the charter or statutes, and the issuance, sale and delivery of such bonds are hereby authorized and approved irrespective of the fact that any such city may be engaged in any suit or litigation questioning the power of such city to annex territory wherein the validity of its Home Rule Charter and the authority of the governing body to function under such Home Rule Charter may be contested

2. Vernon's Ann.Civ.St. art. 709b.

or under attack in such suit or litigation; and such bonds, when approved by the Attorney General and registered by the Comptroller of Public Accounts of the State of Texas, and sold and delivered, in accordance with law, shall be binding, legal, valid and enforceable obligations against the revenues so encumbered, and the bonds shall be incontestable.

Sec. 2. This Act shall apply only to such bonds as were authorized at an election or elections wherein a majority of the voting qualified property taxpaying voters who had duly rendered their property for taxation voted in favor of the issuance thereof.

Sec. 3. This Act shall not be construed as validating any such proceedings or bonds issued or to be issued, the validity of which is contested or under attack in any suit or litigation pending at the time this Act becomes effective, if such suit or litigation is ultimately determined against the validity of the proceedings or bonds, except insofar as such proceedings or bonds might be affected by any such city being engaged in any suit or litigation questioning the power of such city, or the governing body thereof, to annex territory wherein the validity of its Home Rule Charter and the authority of the governing body to so function under such Home Rule Charter may be contested or under attack.

Sec. 4. If any word, phrase, clause, sentence, or part of this Act shall be held by any court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, it shall not affect any other word, phrase, clause, sentence, or part of this Act.

Sec. 5. The fact that such Home Rule Cities have heretofore authorized the issuance of revenue bonds, and there is a question as to the authority therefor; and the further fact that such cities are in urgent need of issuing such bonds, create an emergency and an imperative public necessity that the Constitutional Rule requiring bills to be read on three several days in each House be suspended, and said Rule is hereby suspended; and that this Act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage, and it is so enacted.

Passed the Senate, April 11, 1961: Yeas 29, Nays 1; passed the House,

April 27, 1961: Yeas 129, Nays 0.

Approved May 3, 1961.

Effective May 3, 1961.

DISTRICT JUDGE OF 49TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT— COMPENSATION

CHAPTER 93³

H. B. No. 591

An Act authorizing the Commissioners Court of Dimmit County to supplement the salary of the District Judge of the 49th Judicial District of Texas; making other provisions relating thereto; and declaring an emergency.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

Section 1. In addition to the compensation provided by law and paid by the State, the Commissioners Court of Dimmit County is hereby authorized to pay the District Judge of the 49th Judicial District, for additional services rendered to Dimmit County and for performing additional

3. Vernon's Ann.Civ.St. art. 6819a—29.